

Data Sheet

USAID Mission:	Pakistan
Program Title:	Democracy and Governance
Pillar:	Democracy, Conflict and Humanitarian Assistance
Strategic Objective:	391-004
Status:	Continuing
Proposed FY 2003 Obligation:	\$10,000,000 DA
Prior Year Unobligated:	\$0
Proposed FY 2004 Obligation:	\$11,500,000 DA
Year of Initial Obligation:	FY 2002
Estimated Completion Date:	FY 2006

Summary: USAID's democracy and governance program will work with civil society organizations, political institutions, and the media to broaden and strengthen democratic principles of good governance in Pakistan. Civil society will have an effective voice in local and national governance; legislators will be better prepared, have the necessary tools and factual information with which to formulate and implement legislative agendas; and the media will be a more independent and effective voice in monitoring governance at the provincial and national levels.

To accomplish these objectives, USAID will:

- help civil society foster more effective and responsive local governance;
- help political institutions (e.g., national and provincial legislatures, provincial and district government, political parties) increase the responsiveness and accountability of elected officials; and
- help the media become a more fact-based and issue-oriented source of public information on political, economic, and social issues.

This is a new program and major components are under design. Consequently, this presentation provides a general description of how FY 2003 and FY 2004 resources will be utilized to launch these efforts.

Inputs, Outputs, Activities:

FY 2003 Program:

In FY 2002, using \$2,000,000 ESF, USAID provided assistance in election monitoring and training of newly elected parliamentary officials, including, for the first time, women. Women now holds 30 percent of the parliamentary seats.

In FY 2003, USAID will provide technical assistance to community-based organizations and advocacy NGOs to increase community-level input in local governance decision-making; improve planning and budgeting for social services at the district and provincial levels; and help forge public-private partnerships at the local level that will address social issues.

USAID will also strengthen the governance capacity of national and provincial legislators and legislatures. Training will be provided in basic legislative procedures and processes, drafting of laws, issue-based legislative agenda building, and other topics of interest to the legislators and their secretariats. USAID may also provide technical assistance to support the development of legislative interest groups that form around common themes and agendas (e.g., women's caucus, poverty, education).

To help legislators develop more issued-based platforms and legislation, USAID may provide technical assistance to develop resource centers at the national and provincial level. In addition, USAID may strengthen the policy analysis capability of Pakistani think tanks and research institutions.

Finally, USAID will help improve the quality of political reporting by training journalists. Technical assistance may also be provided to help the media regulatory body expand privatization of radio and television licenses and strengthen the management capacity of new, private broadcast license recipients.

No funding breakdown is available for FY 2003 programs since they are currently being developed.

FY 2004 Program:

USAID plans to engage in activities similar to those listed for FY 2003.

Performance and Results: This program will begin in FY 2003.

Principal Contractors, Grantees, or Agencies: To be determined.

US Financing in Thousands of Dollars

Pakistan

391-004 Democracy and Governance	DA	ESF
Through September 30, 2001		
Obligations	0	0
Expenditures	0	0
Unliquidated	0	0
Fiscal Year 2002		
Obligations	0	2,000
Expenditures	0	0
Through September 30, 2002		
Obligations	0	2,000
Expenditures	0	0
Unliquidated	0	2,000
Prior Year Unobligated Funds		
Obligations	0	0
Planned Fiscal Year 2003 NOA		
Obligations	10,000	0
Total Planned Fiscal Year 2003		
Obligations	10,000	0
Proposed Fiscal Year 2004 NOA		
Obligations	11,500	0
Future Obligations	0	0
Est. Total Cost	21,500	2,000